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One in three single parents jobless

One in three single parent families with dependants were jobless in June 2015, according to statistics released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) today.

Jennifer Humphrys, Director of Labour Market Analytics at the ABS, said that in recent years the proportion of jobless families with dependants has remained stable at around 11 per cent.

"There were around 329,200 jobless families with dependants in June 2015," said Ms Humphrys. "In those families, there were 662,100 dependants aged less than 25 years, 85 per cent of whom were children under 15."

Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families publication uses data from the ABS Labour Force survey to determine family relationships and the labour force status of the 6.6 million families living in Australia.

The survey also found that 53 per cent of couple families had both partners working,

For more information, please refer to Labour Force, Australia: Labour Force Status and Other Characteristics of Families (cat. no. 6224.0.55.001), available for free download from the ABS website: <https://www.abs.gov.au>.

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